

GENERAL NEWS

The Lesser Events of Last Week.

The battleship Connecticut was successfully launched.

Virginia last year produced 122,410,000 pounds of tobacco.

There are 15,000 sick and wounded Russians at Port Arthur.

Cotton is opening rapidly in all sections; picking is general.

The price of wheat broke about 4 cents on the Chicago market.

The present eruption of Mount Vesuvius is the most violent since 1872.

Postmaster General Payne is seriously ill with heart trouble, and may die.

Field Marshal Oyama is completing his envelopment of the Russian army around Mukden.

The death list from the wreck of the Southern railway at Newmarket, Tenn., has reached 66.

Hon. William J. Bryan was billed to make 30 speeches in Indiana from October 12 to October 22.

Japanese have captured several forts at Port Arthur and now control the city water supply.

The new conscription regulations will augment the available Japanese fighting force by about 200,000 men.

Two passenger trains collided on the A. C. L. near Charleston, S. C., killing one and injuring eleven persons.

The Japanese army around Liao Yang is reported to be decimated by epidemics, due to decaying corpses.

Ex-Mayor J. Samuel McCue is to be placed on trial on the charge of wife murder at Charlottesville, Va., October 18.

At St. Louis Hon. Henry St. George Tucker, of Virginia, was elected president of the American Bar Association.

Daniel J. Sully, the "bull" leader of the New York Cotton Exchange, predicts a great scarcity of cotton and high prices.

Governor Odell of New York, will not resign as Governor or retire from the chairmanship of the State Republican committee.

President Roosevelt will issue his call for a second peace conference as soon as he has sounded the sentiment of other nations.

The Japanese Government established a tobacco monopoly, buying the business of the American Tobacco Company in that Empire.

A court martial has been ordered to convene in Savannah, Ga., to try officers of the State militia in connection with the Statesboro lynching.

The Second Presbytery of the Associated Reformed Synod convened at Clinton, S. C. A vote was taken on the proposition to unite with the United Presbyterian Church and the expression was unfavorable to the proposition by a vote of 34 to 8.

In a letter to the President Governor Wright, of the Philippines, declares agitation for freedom for the Filipinos in this country causes restlessness there.

The Japanese army fronting Kuropatkin has a front of 60 miles; it is gradually closing in its wings and it is asserted that a battle at Mukden cannot long be delayed.

The Civil Service Reform League has asked both national chairmen to see that no public servant shall suffer because he refuses to make political fund contributions.

The State of Mississippi has in its treasury one dollar and 56 cents and there is no relief in sight. Much doubt is expressed in financial circles whether a firm of New York and Chicago brokers who recently purchased a State bond issue of half a million dollars will pay for them and the banks of the State seemingly are unwilling to advance money for immediate use.

In the course of the assaults which took place in the last four days of August two companies of Japanese soldiers, according to Prince Radizvil, found themselves at the mercy of the Russians and hoisted a white flag. To this, however, the Russians paid no attention and continued to volley rapidly into the helpless ranks of the enemy. In the mean time Japanese troops in the rear of the companies that had raised the white flag saw what their comrades had done and expressed their disapproval of the surrender by firing into their rear. As a result of this fire from friend and foe, 600 men were killed or wounded.

Convention of Tobacco Farmers.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 28.—J. A. Everett, president of the American Society of Equality, has issued a call inviting tobacco growers to meet in convention at Lynchburg, Va., November 10 and 11 to discuss the tobacco situation and to decide on a price for the various tobaccos. The call says in part:

"It has been abundantly demonstrated that farmers can be factors in shaping the prices of their products. Proofs of this statement are found in the wheat market of the past year, in corn, oats, cattle, hogs, cotton, etc., etc. Prices of all these have permanently, or for periods, been influenced by the quantity thrown on the market or withheld from it. Even in your own special crop, tobacco, there have been unmistakable evidences that withholding the supply increases the price."

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